

FINAL BILL REPORT

SSB 6442

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Allowing sales of growlers of cider.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senators Brown, Hatfield, Schoesler, Hobbs, Honeyford, Hewitt, Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Kline and Rolfes).

Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor

House Committee on Government Accountability & Oversight

Background: The following licensees are permitted to sell beer in a growler, which is a sanitary container brought to the premises by the purchaser or furnished by the licensee and filled at the tap at the time of sale: domestic breweries and microbreweries holding a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license able to sell beer of their own production for off-premises consumption; a beer and wine specialty shop licensee with an endorsement to sell growlers; a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensee able to sell for off-premises consumption; and hotel licensees.

Cider is a table wine with at least 0.5 percent and up to 7 percent alcohol by volume, and is made from fermenting apples or pears.

Summary: Licensees that can already sell beer in growlers can also sell cider in growlers.

Licensees must still comply with federal law.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	45	4
House	86	10

Effective: June 12, 2014

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